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The columns of a newspaper represent a cash value. No publisher can afford to give advertising "notions" free any more than a merchant can lose over his counter the gift of dry goods or shoes. A newspaper is an indispensable business concern. Its advertisements are its stock in trade, and advertisements should be paid for no matter in what part of the paper they appear.

Regarding That Easter Suit of Yours and Your Boy's!

Why not get it from us? Not only can we save you money on every purchase, but we have a most charming variety to select from. To see our complete line of

Tailor-Made Suits

is to see the most perfect creations of foreign and domestic tailoring art. Let us tell you about several items of our spring importations:
First—A complete line of L. Adler Bros. & Co.'s merchant tailored Suits and Pants.
Second—A complete line of Stein-Block Co.'s exclusively tailored Suits and Pants.
Third—A complete line of Strause & Bros.' High Art Clothing.
Fourth—A complete line of Froehner, Keifer & Co.'s Custom Made Clothing.
All of the above mentioned firms are noted as the producers of the very best of men's goods made.

Our Boys' and Children's Suits

are made for us exclusively by the celebrated houses of Kane, McCaffrey & Co. and H. Kuhn & Sons, New York. Few as good, none better. Our spring stocks of Hats, Shirts, Neckwear and Footwear are simply unsurpassed. Our spring stock of

Men's Fine Shoes

is here. They are from the celebrated manufacturers of Packard & Field, Brockton, Mass., and Smith & Stoughton, Boston. Look in our windows and see the goods and prices.

USE PRICE ONLY!
HECHINGER & CO
LEADERS IN FINE CLOTHING AND SHOES.

BEE HIVE BEE HIVE

SOME Serviceable Silk Suggestions

Our stock of silks was never so large, varied and choice as you will find it now. And what's more to your interest value, were never so great with prices so low. You will wonder that we can furnish such fastidious silks at such modest prices. At \$6c. a yard, double faced Black and Pongees in all shades. At \$8c. a great line of Figured Silks of a superior quality. A regular \$10c quality Plaid for \$8c. At \$8c. we have a complete line of China Silks, 34 inches wide. These come in all colors.

RIBBON RANDOMS.

We will have on sale for this week about 1,000 yards Silk Ribbons in stripes and plaids of all colors, 34 inches wide, a regular \$15c quality, our price \$10c. Also a complete line of Satin Ribbons in all the latest shades, 4 inches wide and all silk, at \$2c. a yard. A double faced Black and Satin Ribbon, 34 inches wide, sold elsewhere for \$5c., our price \$4c. a yard. Besides all other kinds of Ribbons, both narrow and wide, at particularly low prices.

LACES AND EMBROIDERIES.

Some recent arrivals of Laces and Embroideries are worthy of your immediate inspection. We buy these goods direct from the makers, and there are too many good things to make special mention of any. Come and be convinced that it is the greatest stock of kind ever known in this vicinity. And then, too, prices way below others.

ROSENAU BROS.,
KINGS OF LOW PRICES. PROPRIETORS BEE HIVE.

MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect For the Next Twenty-four Hours.

THE LEADER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.
While STRAIGHT—FAIR!
While—RAIN or SNOW!
While—BLACK—BATH—COLD—WILL BE!
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HERE AND THERE

If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

Miss Bettie Carr is home from a visit to Flemingsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown of Cincinnati are visiting relatives here.

Miss Lillie Huggins of Lewis county is visiting Mrs. James L. Crane.

Miss Eva Robinson has returned from a visit to her parents at Peebles, O.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Welsh of Danville is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. D. Cochran.

Miss Amanda Emma Storer of Tuckahoe is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

John B. Thomas of Willow Springs, Mo., is here on a visit to relatives in this city and county.

Hon. D. D. Lykins was a caller on THE LEADER yesterday, on his way from Frankfort to his home at Petersville.

Mr. C. G. Dugman of Springfield was a caller on THE LEADER yesterday, in company with Hon. D. D. Lykins of Lewis county.

Mrs. Robert Thompson and interesting daughter Beulah of Covington were in the city yesterday en route home from a visit to her parents at Vanceburg.

All matter for publication must be handed in before 9 o'clock in the morning of each day.

If you have an item of news, please call up THE LEADER, Telephone 13, and send it in.

Fancy Navel Oranges at Traxler's.

For Mixed Paints that are guaranteed call at Ray's Postoffice Drugstore.

Ed Alexander pays wheelmen \$50 per week which costs \$15 for six months. "Etna Life."

Mr. and Mrs. Simon M. Crowell have been entertaining a new daughter at their home since yesterday morning.

Ex County Clerk W. D. Cochran is having plant drawn for a handsome residence on East Second street, Sixth Ward.

Don't forget sale of the White and Martin business property on Second street Saturday, March 26th. See ad elsewhere.

You cannot find as large a stock of Diamonds or Gold Watches in Maysville as Murphy, the Jeweler, is showing, nor can you find as low prices as he is offering them.

Why send away for your Garden Seed when you can buy them as cheap at home, and there is no better grown than Landreth's? For sale at Chenoweth's Drugstore.

Good morning.
"St. Patrick's Day in the morning!"

The Bourbon County Fairgrounds will be sold April 2d.

Mr. G. L. Kilpatrick is still seriously ill at his home at Lewisburg.

The Spring Fair this year will be held September 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th.

The Flemingsburg Graded High School will have nine graduates this year.

W. H. W. Outten qualified as Notary Public, with James H. Salter surety.

Mr. George F. Yazell has moved his family from this place to Flemingsburg.

The widow of the late Col. John Mason Brown died in Louisville yesterday morning.

The Republican County Committee of Fleming met today to recommend a Postmaster for Flemingsburg.

Dr. S. W. Stevens and Elijah Owens have been appointed to appraise the estate of Lucy J. Smith, deceased.

Edward B. Russell, one of Danville's wealthiest men, died at the breakfast table yesterday morning. He was 78.

Mrs. Elizabeth Clutter was tried yesterday in Judge Newell's Court on a writ of lunacy and adjudged of unsound mind.

Mr. William S. Lewellyn, formerly of Maysville, is officiating as Justice at Danville during the illness of Judge McDowell.

The Quaker Medicine Co. at the Court-house is delighting large crowds nightly. They give a clean performance. They will remain the rest of the week.

Special meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Directors today at 2 p. m. in the Cox Building. Let every Director who possibly can be present, as business of the utmost importance is to be discussed.

Lieutenant Owain Lowry, U. S. N., a native of Ripley, died in New York City a few days ago. The funeral services take place at Ripley today. Deceased was a brother of the late Theo. Lowry of this city.

Captain Carroll Power and Mr. William G. Prather of Flemingsburg are at Camp Nelson, near Nicholasville, where, with a Lexington Company of State Guards, they are engaged in guarding tollgate property.

Mr. S. Stockwell Dudley, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Dudley of Flemingsburg, will wed Miss Mary Sumner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Morris at the St. John's Methodist Church, St. Louis, Wednesday, March 23d.

Professor Hathaway of Mt. Sterling has become Principal of the Colored High School in this city in place of Professor James R. Spurgeon, who left last night for Washington City, where he receives his instructions, and on Saturday he sails from New York for Liverpool, thence to Monrovia, Liberia, to assume charge of the office to which he was recently appointed.

A dispatch from Cape May, N. J., announces the death there yesterday of Captain Henry W. Hand, Editor of The War. He was born there in 1838, and followed the sea until 1869. From 1869 to 1889 he served in the United States Navy. He was a courteous gentleman, and the writer entertains a lively recollection of his many kindnesses during a visit to Cape May a few years ago.

Notice.
The City Taxes for 1894-5-6, which remain unpaid, have been placed in the hands of the Chief of Police for collection. All persons owing same are hereby notified to settle without delay and avoid the penalty.
M. J. DONOVAN,
Chief of Police of City of Maysville.

HAPPILY MARRIED.

Residence of Mr. I. M. Lane the Scene of a Pretty Wedding Yesterday.

The home of Mr. I. M. Lane on West Second street was the scene of a pretty wedding at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the contracting parties being Miss Sallie May Muse and Dr. James B. O'Bannon, both of Mt. Carmel.

The ceremony was solemnized by Rev. Boyd K. Muse, brother of the bride.

The young people are quite well known in this vicinity, the bride being an especial favorite among her acquaintances, while the groom is one of Flemingsburg's most exemplary and popular young men.

After congratulations the bride party returned to Mt. Carmel where an elegant supper was served last evening at the pretty home which has been fitted up for the young couple.

Among those present at the wedding were Miss Maud Mide, Miss Foxworthy and Miss Luken of Mt. Carmel.

Mr. Ken Stickley, who has been suffering from rheumatism for several months, is improving.

The household goods of Lucy J. Smith will be sold at public auction Saturday morning. See advertisement.

D. J. Bonner has qualified as Administrator of Lucy J. Smith, with the National Surety Company of New York as security.

The Postoffice fight at Paris has been settled at last. Yesterday President McKinley sent to the Senate the nomination of John L. Bosley, Editor of The Reporter, for the position.

Mrs. Johanna Coughlin fell a few days ago at her home on West Third street and broke her left leg between the hip and knee. Mrs. Coughlin is 75 years old and the fall was quite a shock to her.

All Indians are requested to assemble in council this sleep at the seventh run. Members of the degree team are especially urged to be present as there will be work in the degrees.

J. H. Richardson, Sachem.
W. C. Pelham, C. of R.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

Ebenezer Presbyterian Church the Place for a Pleasant Event in April.

Ebenezer Presbyterian Church near Cottageville will be the scene of a pleasant anniversary celebration on Thursday, April 14th.

The event will be to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Church Standards, and many prominent Pastors have been invited to attend and deliver addresses, making the occasion one long to be remembered.

Following is the program that has been arranged for the day:

9 a. m.—Devotional Exercises, thirty minutes, led by the Moderator of the Presbytery.
9:30 a. m.—Introductory remarks, Rev. M. Walker, D.D.
10 a. m.—Bible lesson, Rev. W. W. Tait.
10:30 a. m.—Historical sermon, Rev. W. W. Tait.
11 a. m.—Early reminiscences of Church and Sunday-school, Elder John B. Koop.
11:15 a. m.—Bible addresses, Rev. W. C. Condit and others.
12 m.—Recess.

The 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Church Standards.

"The History of the Church and Its Influence Upon the Religious History of Scotland," address by Rev. W. S. Fulton, D.D.

The shorter catechism as a Working Creed," Rev. John S. Hays, D.D.

Musio.

The Bible Principles of Church Government as Approved by the Westminster Divines," Rev. J. McChesney Blayney, D.D.

Recess.

Addresses by Rev. J. I. Blackburn, D.D., D. McDonald and others on Church Standards.

FLOTSAM—JETSAM—LIGAM!

NEWS NOTES FROM NATURE'S GREAT HIGHWAY.

The Little Day will be the Pomeroy market tonight.

The Bonanza will pass down tonight from Pomeroy.

The handsome Queen City will be the next Pittsburgh boat down, passing this city tomorrow evening.

The Keystone State with a fine trip passed down last night from Pittsburgh and will return tonight.

The Henry M. Stanley passed down last night from Pomeroy, and tonight she will pass up for Charleston and way points.

Work on the new Ohio river locks will be commenced in a few days. Some of the machinery is now on the ground.

The shipments Tuesday aggregated 102 coal boats, 126 barges and 51 flats, a total of 3,316,000 bushels. The total shipments for the week approximated 8,276,000 bushels of coal.

The Tom Rees passed up yesterday morning with a low of miscellaneous supplies. She was taking a tow of coal to New Orleans, but got behind the water and was compelled to leave it near Cairo until the river rises. In the meantime she will return to Pittsburgh for another, just as the Defender did.

The towboat Rescue met with a series of accidents yesterday morning, and lost almost her entire law. Five boats, one barge and two flats were sunk, about 130,000 bushels. The loss is estimated at \$10,000. Three boats were sunk at Marimaran, one a short distance below, one at Agnew Station, one at Sewickley and another in the channel. The Rescue is owned by G. J. Jette & Co. The Rescue went over the dike, but is not damaged. No further coal shipments can be made until the wrecks are removed.

We All Know

There is a popular belief that eyes cannot be properly fitted outside of an oculist's office, but we are constantly proving the incorrectness of that belief. If you have a dull pain about the eyeball, or if, when reading, the letters seem to run together, call and be relieved. We charge nothing for examination, and guarantee satisfaction in every case.

BALLENGER,
Jeweler and Optician.

Teeth extracted without pain. Dr. J. W. Cartmell, over Harry Taylor's. Phone 60.

Rev. M. V. P. Yeaman, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Vanceburg, will preach Sunday morning at Maysville and Sunday afternoon at Murphysville.

Rev. E. Edwards Pastor of the English Baptist Church at Maysville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any suffer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me."

For sale by J. Jas. Wood, Druggist.

RIDING ON THE RAIL!

What the Great Steel Highways Offer to Travelers.

C. and O. Lac Rates.

American Baptist Educational Society, May 6th to 10th.

Southern Baptist Convention, May 6th to 10th.

Woman's Baptist Missionary Union, May 6th to 10th.

For the above occasions the C. and O. will sell round trip tickets Nashville to Norfolk, Va., at rate of one fare, \$14.00. Tickets on sale May 33, 34, 35th, 5th and 6th. Return limit fifteen days.

Kentuckians Called on to Appropriately Recognize Their State.

"Having been definitely notified that the great Kentucky Fair will be launched at Newport News on the city of March at that place, and that the Kentucky Fair is now requested to show by their patriotic action on that occasion that they are not unworthy of the compliment bestowed on them and the state."

WILLIAM O. BULLLEY,
Governor of Kentucky.

For the above occasion the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway offers an excursion rate of \$12 from Maysville to Newport News or Old Point Comfort, Va., and return. Tickets will be sold for trains of March 23d, and to return within seven days. For further information apply to C. and O. Agent.

MISSSES' and CHILDREN'S

Chocolate

HIGH SHOES.

J. HENRY PECOR.

All varieties choice Northern Seed Potatoes for sale by

MAYSVILLE PRODUCE CO.

FRIDAY'S CASH SALE.

You can thank the rain of Friday and Saturday for another chance at the beautiful Organades advertised then for special sale. We sold a great many but from weather complaints heard since we know our patrons were all not able to enjoy the unusual opportunity we offered. More of the crisp, lively stuffs have come to replace those sold. Actual pictures on the gauze-like muslins, printings like dailies, flowers and leaves that seem to have blown on the surface. Several dozen styles. And we know you will agree with us. An opportunity to buy genuine 35c. French Organades for 25c. is not an every day occurrence.

WE CALL ATTENTION

to our fetching line of 7c. Dimities. They've been 10c. a yard—were that price yesterday, are probably that price everywhere else today. But we find the owner of several hundred yards that needed to sell. Hence the price is 7c. Twenty colorings, if you count black and white, all the dainty shades including primrose, lilac, canary and a wide range of blues and pinks. The designs are very tasteful. The book of Nature has few closer students than the textile artists.

D. HUNT & SON.

NUMBER OF SMALL GUNS

Taken From the Wreck of the Maine by Divers.

The Montgomery to Leave Havana for Key West, Fla.

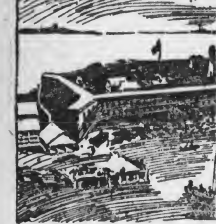
THE FERN WILL TAKE HER PLACE.

War Preparations By the United States Greatly Annoy the Spaniards.

They Claim That They Encourage the Cuban Insurgents when the American Navy is Having Its Cruel Test—Court of Inquiry's Report Nearly Ready.

HAVANA, March 17.—The divers Wednesday got out several six-pound guns and a one pounder and also six-inch and eight-inch mortars.

Senator Money and the other members of the congressional party still here



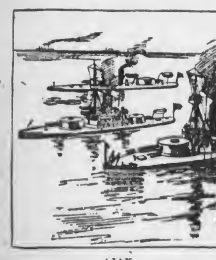
PORT JEFFERSON AND UNITED STATES FLEET AT DRY TORTUGAS

expect to leave for Key West Thursday on the Bucanero. The hour of the Montgomery's departure Thursday for Key West has not been fixed. Two unidentified bodies were sent to Key West Wednesday on the Olivette.

The Fern has been designated to take the place of the Montgomery here as the headquarters of Capt. Sigbee and others.

HAVANA, (via Key West, Fla.) March 17.—With the departure of the court of inquiry after a second visit to the scene of the wreck of the Maine, the tension grows serious. The court, a body like a grand jury in its functions, is nearly ready to report. Unless there are new discoveries here which is unlikely, there is no reason to be done, but for the members to seclude themselves in the low and formulate the convictions already fairly held. There is no reason to change the belief that the court will find that the disaster was caused by an explosion outside the Maine, but its members have been as secret as the grave. The chief officers have been absolutely discreet, while

FLEET OF MONITORS FOR COAST AND HARBOR DEFENSE



WYANDOTTE, AMPHITRITE, MANTONOMAH, PASSAIC

the talk of the divers has been contradictory. From numerous bits of evidence that have come out during the three weeks' examination it seems as sure as anything in this latitude can be, that the plane below the court show that the ship was broken in two and the forward part sent adrift by an explosion from the outside.

Capt. Sampson intimates in a correspondence that the testimony was "gratifyingly complete." This might mean that an accidental cause has been discovered, but the indications are all the other way. No one believes that any Spanish officials or officers of rank will be implicated, whatever may be the findings of the court. Capt. Sampson before leaving said the court's departure was not due to orders received, but was decided upon solely by the members themselves. The wrecking work has been very slow, but it is hoped that now, with the added facilities and the others that are to come, work will be speeded with greater rapidity.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The war preparations being made by the United States, the assembling of ships at Key West, the purchase of cruisers abroad, and the emergency measures in the war and navy departments have come to the official attention of the Spanish government, and the views of the Spanish cabinet thereon have been communicated to the state department here. This has not taken the form of a protest, however, as it does not appear that the Spanish government claim or asserts the right to question such in-

terial measures as the United States may adopt, even though these be of a character to indicate preparations for war. It is rather by way of representations, conveyed in a friendly spirit and without threat, as to the serious influences which these preparations will have in encouraging the Cuban insurgents at the moment when the American plan is to have its crucial trial through the Cuban elections, and in this way defeat the reform Premier Sagasta is seeking to carry out. It has been especially pointed out that the presence of a large fleet of United States warships at Key West can not be regarded as a friendly measure, as the sending of ships was officially represented to be when the Maine went to Havana and the Viscaya returned the complimentary visit. In short, the presence of this extensive fleet near Cuba, together with the war measures taken by the United States are regarded by Spain as seriously prejudicial to the policy of autonomy, which the United States and Spain have alike approved and an indirect encouragement to the insurgents in defeating the desire of both governments for the success of that policy. Finally, and in the same spirit of friendly representation rather than of threat, it was pointed out that a treaty by the United States

About Thirty Others Received Serious Injuries.

The National Marine Building, a Large Structure, in a Ruin—A Large Number of Persons Killed—Heavy Losses.

CHICAGO, March 17.—The worst fire that has occurred in Chicago since the old stock exchange was blown out in the building at the corner of Wabash and Adams streets, Wednesday night. The death toll will probably reach a number not far from 30. The injured number about 30.

The following is a list of dead and injured as far as known:

Dead—Miles A. Smith, salesman, lived at 1236 Wrightwood avenue.

Samuel A. Clark, jumped from the fourth floor, employed by the W. A. Olmstead Scientific Co.

Unidentified man, taken from 315 Wabash avenue, burned beyond recognition.

W. A. Olmstead, president of the Olmstead Scientific Co., when the explosion occurred, ran to the rear of the seventh floor of the building and has not been seen since. It is thought he was buried in the ruins.

Miss Kate Carney, forewoman of the National Music Co., believed to have perished in the flames after helping to safety the last one of 10 girls in her charge.

Charles Anderson, employed by Sweet, Wallace & Co., has not been seen since the first explosion.

Injured—Samuel C. Snyder, 350 Hudson avenue, employed by Sweet, Wallace & Co., burned severely.

E. A. Wise, 154 South Albany avenue, employed by Sweet, Wallace & Co., burned severely.

Mary Lapere, 571 North Sangamon street, employed by Sweet, Wallace & Co., burned while descending the escape from the sixth floor, taken home.

Herman Overman, 189 West Harrison street, descended the fire escape with Miss Lapere but fell from the second floor; burned and received internal injuries; taken home.

Philip Farley, 24 Elmhurst avenue, employed as a piano mover by the Conover Piano Co., was in the building at the time of the explosion, can not be found.

An office boy, employed by Sweet, Wallace & Co., jumped from the sixth floor, and is thought to be buried in the debris caused by the falling walls.

Andrew Nashon, employed by the W. A. Olmstead Scientific Co., face and hands burned.

Fred Smith, driver for the Conover Piano Co., face cut by falling glass.

Emile Brozman, of 383 North Armington avenue, jumped from sixth floor, his body in some and lower limbs, probably dead.

David Schaefer, 2033 Westworth avenue, arm broken while trying to catch a man who had jumped from the sixth floor.

Jessie Baxa, 536 West Nineteenth street, jumped from second floor, right ankle broken.

Annie Baxa, 536 West Nineteenth street, jumped from second-story window, ankle sprained and body bruised.

Unidentified man, jumped from sixth floor, back broken, taken to county hospital.

The Conover Piano Co. occupied the first, second and third stories of the building, the other tenants including the Presbyterian Board of Publication and the Sweet, Wallace & Co. dealers in photographic supplies, the latter firm being on the fifth floor.

It was here that the fire broke out and the floor was stored with chemicals and materials used in the manufacture of photographic supplies, and according to some who escaped the entire floor was swept with flames in two minutes after the fire broke out.

Three hundred girls were employed by this firm and when the fire broke out a panic ensued, many of the girls were crowded into the stairways and many of them were injured.

Fortunate women being trapped under the feet of their comrades in their frantic efforts to escape. Out of four escape by the elevators and stairways, people perished in the burning building began jumping from the windows, and though the flames and others held on to the stone side-walks. According to eye witnesses as many as ten jumped to their deaths from the top of the building.

Others were seen shortly after to fall back into the flames. The girls who appeared to be in the greatest danger were those of the Presbyterian Board of Publication and the Sunday-School Supply Co. also contained material which was burned.

On the lower floors the piano supplies and instruments held by the Conover Piano Co. were soon transformed into tinder. The firemen were badly handicapped by the heat which was terrific. Within a radius of a block the heat broke panes of glass and discolored signs, and streams of water were directed from the hydrants on both sides of the street that far away in order to prevent them from catching fire. Several times minor blazes did occur. The greatest danger was in the rear of the Conover building, where were located big dry goods stores.

Within a radius of a block the heat broke out, the floors had all fallen and a moment or two later the rear wall fell. The firemen working there were warned but barely in time for them to escape being crushed.

Nineteen persons are reported missing. Their homes did not return home at night or to communicate with their friends. Their bodies are believed to be in the ruins.

Does Down With All on Board.

LOVESTON, March 17.—The bark British Princess, from Leith for Liverpool, was taken to have Wednesday with her bows stove, having been in a collision at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning off Oldball Lightship with an unknown steamer. The steamer, which collided with the British Princess sank within three minutes with all on board.

CONDENSED NEWS

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THE SENATE COMMITTEE

Reports in Favor of the Annexation of Hawaii.

Senator Davis Reported a Joint Resolution to That End.

Secretary Alger Makes a Request for an Increase in the Army Medical Corps—Committee Reached the Highest Point Under the Discharge Tariff.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Secretary Alger sent to the house Wednesday afternoon request for an increase in the medical corps of the army which has become absolutely necessary through the additions of the artillery forces and by the gunnisoning of the numerous small posts. At the present time, the secretary says, several of our military posts which are garrisoned by a full regiment or more and which should have three medical officers have but two.

The receipts from customs Wednesday amounted to \$1,710,777. This is the highest point by nearly \$250,000 that the customs reached since the new tariff went into effect about eight months ago. For some time the receipts from customs have been increasing with regularity, but only lately has the increase become noticeable from day to day. It is believed that importation of sugar is beginning to contribute materially to the receipts.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The house committee on navy affairs has recommended to the senate that the secretary of the navy be authorized to increase in some branches of the service, but not to important posts, the number of officers and enlisted men for the appointment of acting assistant surgeons by the president and the secretary of the navy.

The request for a large number of acting assistant surgeons in the navy as well as the further augmentation of the engineer corps caused a vigorous discussion which, however, met with no significant result. A motion was made for the authorization of the construction of six torpedo boats and six torpedo boat destroyers. It was immediately challenged as involving a large expenditure and after some discussion action was deferred. It was agreed that the addition of six assistant engineers should be allowed. Some details were also discussed.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The senate committee on foreign relations Wednesday agreed to recommend that the Hawaiian islands be annexed by legislation in open session and agreed upon the recommendation of the committee of this purpose, which Senator Davis was authorized to report to the senate.

Later in the senate chamber Senator Davis reported a joint resolution providing for the annexation of the Hawaiian islands. The joint resolution went to the calendar. Senator Davis did not give any explanation of the measure.

Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, in the house Wednesday afternoon, denied emphatically that the president desired congress to adjourn in the immediate future.

The suggestion that the president has decided to adjourn congress wishes to fix a date, said he, is absolutely without foundation and is ridiculous.

TORPEDO BOAT STRINGHAM

An Additional Force of Men Employed on the Construction—Dugout's Sluggish Power Delay.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Harlan & Hollingsworth Co., of this city, has received instructions from Secretary Long to increase the force of workers on the torpedo boat Stringham. An extra force of men is at work at the shops of the Dettie Machine Co., which makes casings for the manufacture of arms for the United States government. It is said that nearly two hundred of these machinists are to be sent for the Washington, Norfolk, San Francisco, Brooklyn and League Island navy yards.

The firm of E. L. Dupont & Co. is shipping powder daily to Fort Monroe for the big ten-inch guns.

American Mission Attacked by Chinese. SHANGHAI, March 17.—The American Medical Mission in the suburbs of Chung-King-Fu province of Szechuan, on the Yang-Tze-Kiang, has been attacked by a mob. The native medical assistants have been maltreated and one has been murdered.

THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, March 17.

WHEAT—No. 2 red nominal at 90c; No. 3 red nominal at 88c; No. 4 red nominal at 86c; No. 5 red nominal at 84c; No. 6 red nominal at 82c; No. 7 red nominal at 80c; No. 8 red nominal at 78c; No. 9 red nominal at 76c; No. 10 red nominal at 74c; No. 11 red nominal at 72c; No. 12 red nominal at 70c; No. 13 red nominal at 68c; No. 14 red nominal at 66c; No. 15 red nominal at 64c; No. 16 red nominal at 62c; No. 17 red nominal at 60c; No. 18 red nominal at 58c; No. 19 red nominal at 56c; No. 20 red nominal at 54c; No. 21 red nominal at 52c; No. 22 red nominal at 50c; No. 23 red nominal at 48c; No. 24 red nominal at 46c; No. 25 red nominal at 44c; No. 26 red nominal at 42c; No. 27 red nominal at 40c; No. 28 red nominal at 38c; No. 29 red nominal at 36c; No. 30 red nominal at 34c; No. 31 red nominal at 32c; No. 32 red nominal at 30c; No. 33 red nominal at 28c; No. 34 red nominal at 26c; No. 35 red nominal at 24c; No. 36 red nominal at 22c; No. 37 red nominal at 20c; No. 38 red nominal at 18c; No. 39 red nominal at 16c; No. 40 red nominal at 14c; No. 41 red nominal at 12c; No. 42 red nominal at 10c; No. 43 red nominal at 8c; No. 44 red nominal at 6c; No. 45 red nominal at 4c; No. 46 red nominal at 2c; No. 47 red nominal at 0c; No. 48 red nominal at 0c; No. 49 red nominal at 0c; No. 50 red nominal at 0c.

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